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SUBJECT: SPTF ASSESSMENT

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1. SUBSEQUENT TO THE SPTF DISCUSSIONS HELD DECEMBER 12 BY THE AMBASSADOR AND MISSION PERSONNEL WITH BILL FALKNER, THE AID-STATE WORKING GROUP HAS DECIDED NOT TO PURSUE FOR THE TIME BEING THE USG TAKING BACK SPTF ACCUMULATIONS FROM THE IDB AND MAKING THEM AVAILABLE FOR MISSIONS' ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES. PLEASE DISREGARD THIS OPTION IN PREPARING YOUR ASSESSMENT.

2. AMONG YOUR THOUGHTS ON POSSIBLE USES FOR SPTF ACCUMULATIONS, PLEASE DEVELOP THE SUGGESTION MENTIONED TO FALKNER THAT SPTF PESOS BE USED IN LIEU OF PESOS PURCHASED WITH US DOLLARS FROM THE AID PROGRAM, THUS CREATING JOINT SPTF/AID PROJECTS. (THIS WOULD REQUIRE RECIPIENT COUNTRY REQUESTS FOR SPTF PESOS DIRECTLY TO THE IDB.)

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3. THE OTHER EVALUATIONS, QUESTIONS, AND SUGGESTIONS YOU

AGREED TO PROVIDE DURING THE REFERENT MEETING ARE
WELCOME. ON JANUARY 8 WE PLAN TO PREPARE A DRAFT OPTIONS
PAPER AND A DRAFT MESSAGE TO POSTS IN THE LARGER SPTF
ACCUMULATIONS COUNTRIES. THE MISSION SHOULD SUBMIT ITS
COMMENTS BY JANUARY 5 IF WE ARE TO INCORPORATE THEM IN OUR
PREPARATION OF THESE PAPERS. KISSINGER

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